

## Poster Presentation Abstracts

core body temperatures can drop to as low as approximately  $-3^{\circ}\text{C}$ . This is followed by a state with full restoration of metabolism and body temperature called “arousal” without reperfusion injury or other ill effects. It has been recently reported that cooling of hamster cells increases endogenous production of H<sub>2</sub>S through cystathionine- $\beta$ -synthase (CBS) enzyme, which prevents apoptotic cell death. Therefore, in this study, we investigate the role of CBS and H<sub>2</sub>S in the induction of torpor and organ preservation during hibernation by blocking CBS with the compound aminooxyacetic acid (AOAA).

**Patients (or Materials) and Methods:** Male Syrian golden hamsters (*Mesocricetus auratus*) were housed in cages in a climate-controlled chamber at  $5^{\circ}\text{C}$  under dim red light to induce torpor. Movement of all animals was continuously monitored with passive infrared detectors. Osmotic mini-pumps filled with saline or AOAA (100 mg/kg/d) were implanted IP during torpor after a bolus injection of AOAA (10 mg) under 2.5% isoflurane anesthesia. At 4 days after implantation of pumps, hamsters were aroused by handling for 4 hours and euthanized under pentobarbital anesthesia. Blood samples were taken and kidneys of the hamsters were obtained. Summer euthermic hamsters served as controls.

**Results:** In contrast to saline infusions, infusion of AOAA prevented hamsters from re-entry into torpor. Infusion of AOAA also induced excess renal damage as indicated by high expression of kidney injury marker as well as changes in renal morphology. In contrast, renal morphology was well preserved during hibernation in the saline and nonhibernating summer control groups.

**Conclusion:** Blocking CBS during hibernation precludes animals from entering torpor and counteracts up-regulation of CBS enzyme in the kidney, thus inducing kidney damage. Endogenous H<sub>2</sub>S production by activation or up-regulation of CBS may be instrumental to alleviate kidney damage in several clinically relevant conditions such as deep hypothermia, organ storage for transplantation, and ischemia-reperfusion.

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### PP283—MOTOR AND BEHAVIORAL CHANGES IN MICE WITH CISPLATIN-INDUCED ACUTE RENAL FAILURE

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**Introduction:** Acute renal failure (ARF) is a state of rapid loss of kidney function. We have previously shown that chronic renal failure in rats induces changes in motor activity and behavior. There are no reports on the central nervous system after induction of nephrotoxicity of cisplatin (CP) in mice. This is the subject matter of the current work.

**Patients (or Materials) and Methods:** CP was injected intraperitoneally (IP) in a single dose of 20 mg/kg to induce a state of ARF, and 3 days later, its effects on motor activity, thermal and chemical nociceptive tests, neuromuscular coordination, pentobarbitone-sleeping time, and exploration activity, and 2 depression models were investigated.

The platinum concentration in the kidneys and brains of treated mice was also measured. The occurrence of CP nephrotoxicity was ascertained by standard physiological, biochemical, and histopathologic methods.

**Results:** CP induced all the classical biochemical, physiological, and histopathologic signs of nephrotoxicity. The average renal platinum concentration of CP-treated mice was 5.16 ppm. However, no measurable concentration of platinum was found in the whole brains of CP-treated mice. CP treatment significantly decreased motor and exploration activities, and decreased immobility time in depression models, possibly suggesting a depression-like state. Also, the time taken by the treated mice on the hot plate and tail flick tests was significantly prolonged compared with the control, indicating possible anti-nociceptive action of CP. There was also a significant decrease in neuromuscular coordination in CP-treated mice.

**Conclusion:** CP, given at a nephrotoxic dose, induced several adverse motor and behavioral alterations in mice. Further behavioral tests and molecular and biochemical investigations in the brains of mice with CP-induced ARF are warranted.

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### PP284—EFFECT OF DIESEL EXHAUSTS PARTICLES ON CISPLATIN-INDUCED TOXICITY ON HUMAN KIDNEY CELLS, AND THE INFLUENCE OF CURCUMIN THEREON

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**Introduction:** Particulate air pollution with particle diameter  $<2.5\ \mu\text{m}$  contributes to respiratory and extra-respiratory morbidity and mortality. We have recently reported the first in vivo experimental evidence that diesel exhaust particles (DEP) in the lung aggravated the renal, pulmonary, and systemic effects of cisplatin (CP)-induced acute renal failure in rats. This in vitro study sought to determine whether and to what extent does DEP exposure exacerbate the effects of CP-induced oxidative stress in human embryonic kidney (HEK-293) cells, and to examine if these effects could be mitigated/prevented with curcumin (the yellow pigment isolated from turmeric).

**Patients (or Materials) and Methods:** Cells viability, cysteine uptake, and oxidative stress indices (glutathione [GSH], total antioxidant capacity [TAC]), and antioxidant enzymes (catalase; glutathione peroxidase; superoxide dismutase) were evaluated by standard methods in all study groups.

**Results:** DEP aggravated the CP-induced HEK-293 cells toxicity as evidenced by decreasing cells viability and inducing oxidative stress (GSH depletion, TAC impairment, and antioxidant enzymes inhibition). DEP selectively inhibited the cysteine uptake; meanwhile, CP had no effect. Curcumin significantly prevented the observed DEP and CP-induced cellular insults.

**Conclusion:** DEP augmented the CP-induced toxicity in HEK-293 cells. Curcumin protected the cells against DEP and CP-induced toxicity through its potent antioxidant action.

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